

Dear Families,

This is our last newsletter for 2021 and we finish the year with many good news' stories of our children's kindness and generosity:

- Well done to Oliver in Y5 who spent his pocket money last weekend and delivered presents to the homeless in Skegness and Lincoln
- Thank you to all the families who have donated to "Rudy's Run" Just Giving page for St Barnabas

Fantastic penguin waddling by the Little Explorers and YR raised £63 for Marie Curie Beautiful gifts and toys have been donated for Lincs FM Christmas Mission so every child living in poverty will receive something this Christmas

The list of random acts of kindness goes on and on and shows how our wonderful children and families think of others first. We have followed the example of the shepherds and the wise men who took what they could to the tiny baby Jesus, homeless and in need of care and support.

This Christmas, amidst the fun, food and fizz, remember the importance of the selfless act of giving told in the First Christmas story and within our own community.

Merry Christmas everyone, stay safe and well to enjoy family times, make millions of memories and find peace and love everyday.

Mrs B x



IMPORTANT NOTICES

From Tuesday 4th January 2022, to help with parking issues we will be staggering the end of the school day. Children whose surname starts A-M will leave at 3:15pm and children whose surname starts N-Z will leave at 3:25pm. If the time causes any difficulties for you please speak to Mrs Belton – Thank you.

Please wear a mask, sanitize hands and take a lateral flow test for all performances and the Christingle – Thank you.

In aid of St Barnabas the children will be taking part in Rudy's Run on Wednesday 15th December from 1pm. Hopefully, they will also have a very special visitor. If you would like to come and watch please stand in the middle of the village green and remember to take care with social distancing etc. - Thank you.

If you would like to make a donation to St Barnabas we have created a just giving page; www.justgiving.com/fundraising/st-helena-s-school



All donations are gratefully received - Thank you.

On Monday 13th December we will be singing around the Christmas Tree at The Willoughby Arms. Please come and join us at 11am. The pub will be open for Hot Chocolate and beverages - please support them a stream offer the stream of the stream offer the stream off

After School Clubs

Drama Club will continue after Christmas on a Friday and the following new clubs will be available:

Monday - Mrs Langdale will be running Fun, Food and Fitness for Year 3 and Year 4 - (maximum of 12 people).

Miss Wickland will be running a Choir for Year 4, 5 and 6.

- Wednesday Mr Goddard will be running a STEM club for Year 4, 5 and 6.
- Thursdays Miss Newson will be running a Dance Club for Years 1 & 2. Mrs Roberts will be running a Girls Football Club for Year 5 and 6

If your child would like to attend any of the new clubs please indicate above and sign as indicated below. Please return to the school office by Wednesday 5th January 2022.

Child's name

Signed

Date



Home Learning Hub have been busy making Christmas Decorations. These are now on sale in hub.

Thank you.



	<u>Diary Dates 2021/2022</u>		FEBRUARY	
		11th	End of Term 3	
DECEMBER		21st	School Opens - Term 4	
- 13th	9:30am Year 3 Dress Rehearsal			
1	11am Singing at The Willoughby Arms	MARCH		
14th	10am Little Explorers' Nativity	31s†	End of Term 4	
	1:30pm Dress Rehearsal Reception			
	children Nativity	APRIL		
	6pm Year 3 Christmas Performance	1st	Staff Training Day	
15th	10am YR Nativity	20th	School Opens—Term 5	
15th 16th	1pm Rudy's Run-St Barnabas Hospice			
16th	9:15am Year 1 and 2 Christmas Nativity	МАУ		
	Rehearsal.	27th	End of Term 5	
17†h 17†h	Christmas Dinner			
	Little Explorers' Christmas Party	JUNE		
	Reception Children Christmas Party	6th	School Opens—Term 6	
	5pm Year 1 & 2 Christmas Nativity			
17th	2pm Christingle Service	JULY		
17th	End of Term 2	22nd	End of Term 6	
20th	Staff Training Day			
JANUAI	RY 2022			
4th	School Opens—Term 3			
12th	7:30pm School Association Meeting			
14th	School Association Disco Night			
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Reception children starting in September 2022

If your child was born between September 2017 and August 31 2018, they are eligible to start school from September 2022. You can apply online at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions or can telephone 01522 782030. Closing date is January 15 2022.

Reception and Little Explorers' Welly Waddle Raised £64.00 Thank yon.

Year 1 and Year 2	16th December Dress Rehearsal 9:15am 16th December Performance 5pm
Year 3	13th December Dress Rehearsal 9:30am 14th December Performance 6pm

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Have you reserved your tickets, if not please speak to the office.

Before attending the performance we ask that you do a lateral flow test and on the entering the building you sanitize your hands and wear a mask throughout the performance Thank you. 12121212

Christmas Performances

Little Explorers' and Reception Christmas Performances

Little Explorers' Performance - Tuesday 14th December at 10am Reception Performance - Wednesday 15th December at 10am

Have you reserved your tickets, if not please speak to the office.

Before attending the performance we ask that you do a lateral flow test and on the entering the building you sanitize your hands and wear a mask throughout the performance Thank you.

Reminder

Unfortunately, this year the tickets are restricted to 4 tickets per family for Reception and Little Explorers' Performances, and 2 for Y1/Y2 and Y3. Reception to Year 6 children will have already seen the performance in school but if you wish to bring a child to watch the performance, you will be using one of these tickets.

No extra seating will be available.

IIIIII IIIIIII Christingle Service

We shall be holding our annual Christingle service at St. Helena's Church on Friday 17th December 2021 at 2pm, the last day of term.

Please come along and join the children in their remembrance of those less fortunate at Christmas time. Nationally, nearly a million children take part in these candlelit services every year, which are organised by the Children's Society. Each child receives a Christingle (an orange bearing a candle, red ribbon, fruit and sweets). The children will bring home a collection candle for donations to the Children's Society, these will then be presented to Rev. Sherine during the service.

Face Masks are mandatory in Church

Sunnyside Garden

This morning I have collected lots of greenery from the garden and found the largest potato that I grew in the summer to make a decoration for the front door.

Look for the flattest side of the potato as this becomes the back. Cover it in foil and tie string or wire around the potato to make a hanging. I secured this with little pieces of wire folded in half and put round the string and pressed right into the potato.

Make a hole with a pointed item (the wrong end of a paint brush) cut the greenery diagonally across the stem and push carefully into the potato.

Keep working round the potato and then add more stems to the front. Keep checking you like your arrangement. Finally add a bow or baubles and hang outside. Your arrangement will last until next year.

Enjoy all your Christmas activities in school next week. Happy Christmas everyone









Year 2 swimming every Friday. Please remember your swimming kit AND towel.

This is the final newsletter for this term (last day at school is Friday 17th December).

HAPPY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!

Have a lovely holiday

We are back on Tuesday 4th January 2022





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Crib Service 3pm Christmas Eve, St Wilfrid's Church, Alford

Free Tickets Available from Alford Town Promotions Shop, 23 Alford Market Place or secretary@alfordpromotions.org.uk







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